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of the

Town Officers

of

ROXBURY

NEW HAMPSHIRE

for the year ending

JANUARY 31

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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

EDWARD E. BAKER

Town Clerk

EMMETT E. HAZEN and EDWARD E. BAKER

Selectmen

EARL J. RUSSELL

FRANK J. STEELE

CHARLES A. N. NYE

Town Treasurer

EMMETT E. HAZEN and EDWARD E. BAKER

Tax Collector

CYRUS K. ELLIS

Road Agent

HERBERT J. RUSSELL

Overseer of Poor

CHARLES A. N. NYE

Assessors

EARL J. RUSSELL

FRANK J. STEELE

CHARLES A. N. NYE

Supervisors

CYRUS K. ELLIS

BURT S. ELLIS

Auditor

BESSIE BAKER

Constable and Police

BURT S. ELLIS

Retainer

CHESTER B. JORDAN

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber

CYRUS K. ELLIS

CHARLES A. N. NYE

BURT S. ELLIS

Sexton

CYRUS K. ELLIS

Trustees of Trust Funds

LENA M. NYE

BESSIE H. BAKER

EDWARD BAKER

Ballot Inspector

ROGER J. GARFIELD

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

(TOWN WARRANT)

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Roxbury, in the County of Cheshire in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the school house in said Roxbury on Tuesday, the 8th day of March, next at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

3. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the road from the place formerly owned by Charles Buckminster to the Nelson town line.

4. To see if the town will vote to buy the Willett Spring Scraper and raise money for same.

5. To see if the town will vote to buy a wing for the snow plow and raise money for same.

6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15.00 to the Monadnock Region Association of Scenic New Hampshire for issuance and distribution of printed matter, newspaper and magazine advertising, calling attention to the resources and natural advantages of the town, in cooperation with the other thirty-seven towns in the Monadnock Region.

7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the celebration of the anniversary of the ratification of the federal constitution by the state, June 21, 1938, said sum to be expended under the direction of the selectmen.

8. To see if the town will vote to raise money for poor relief for 1938.

9. To choose a trustee for the the trust funds for three years.

10. To hear the report of agents, auditors, committees or officers and pass any action thereto.

11. To transact any other business which may come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this twenty-first day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty-eight.

EARL J. RUSSELL,
FRANK J. STEELE,
CHAS. A. N. NYE,
Selectmen of Roxbury, N. H.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

EARL J. RUSSELL,
FRANK J. STEELE,
CHAS. A. N. NYE,
Selectmen of Roxbury, N. H.

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

We the undersigned Selectmen of Roxbury, State of New Hampshire respectfully submit the following report for the year ending January 31, 1938.

State tax,	\$304 00
County tax,	333 51
Town tax,	500 00
Highways and bridges,	1,000 00
Snow,	100 00
State aid construction,	183 00
Schools,	1,050 00
Town poor,	50 00
Snow plow,	375 00
Overlay,	24 54
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	\$3,920 05

35 polls,	\$70 00
12 horses,	\$1,085 00
2 mules,	50 00
27 cows,	1,430 00
2 neat stock,	60 00
30 sheep,	125 00
Turkeys,	50 00
Timber,	300 00
Power lines,	9,400 00
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	\$12,500 00
Resident valuation,	\$23,300 00

Non-residents' valuation,	84,299 00
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	\$120,099 00

ESTIMATED

Interest and dividends,	\$266 79
Railroad tax,	3 66
Savings bank,	1 56
Automobile permits, etc.,	71 15
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	\$343 16

Committed to collector, \$3,576.61.

Rate \$2.92.

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Emmett E. Hazen, town clerk,	\$22 50
Edward E. Baker, town clerk,	7 50
Emmett E. Hazen, treasurer,	22 50
Edward E. Baker, treasurer,	7 50
Earl J. Russell, selectman,	50 00
Frank J. Steele, selectman,	50 00
Charles A. N. Nye, selectman,	60 00
Earl J. Russell, assessor,	10 00
Frank J. Steele, assessor,	10 00
Charles A. N. Nye, assessor,	10 00
Cyrus K. Ellis, tax collector,	50 00
Herbert Russell, road agent,	20 00
Cyrus K. Ellis, supervisor,	6 00
Burt S. Ellis, supervisor,	3 00
Charles A. N. Nye, overseer of poor,	2 00
Burt S. Ellis, constable,	2 00
Cyrus K. Ellis, sexton,	2 00
Roger J. Garfield, ballot inspector,	2 00
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	\$337 00

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Charles Gibbs, carrying selectmen,	\$5 00
Mason Insurance Co., bond,	37 50
Chase Book Store,	6 84
Sentinel Printing Co.,	41 17
Emmett Hazen, permits, stamps, etc.,	8 70
Charles Nye, stamps, etc.,	3 00
Chase Book Store,	60
Selectmen attending tax meeting	
Earl J. Russell,	3 00
Frank J. Steele,	3 00
Charles Nye,	3 00
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	\$111 81

ORDERS PAID BY SELECTMEN

Salaries,	\$337 00
Expenses,	111 81
State aid construction,	182 74
Highway maintenance,	897 75
Snow,	126 00
Class V roads,	571 10
Cassius Phillips and G. H. Tilden Co., flags,	4 22
Old age assistance,	149 25
Winfield Chaplin, deed transfer,	1 40
County tax,	333 51
State tax,	304 00
City of Keene, fire truck for Byron Holt place,	10 00
Taxes sold to town,	141 78
School,	1,050 00
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	\$4,220 56

Respectfully submitted,

EARL J. RUSSELL,

FRANK J. STEELE,

CHARLES A. N. NYE,

Selectmen of Roxbury.

REPORT OF HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

CLASS V

Class V money was spent graveling Class V Roads recommended by Class V Supervisor.

TRUCKING, GRAVEL AND LABOR

Middle town road,	\$200 35
Branch road,	37 20
Davis road,	60 17
Marlboro road,	17 00
Dawes road,	138 28
Woodward Pond road,	16 60
Dillingham road,	57 50
Dakin road,	44 00
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	\$571 10

MAINTENANCE

Middle town road,	\$315 92
Davis road,	121 95
Branch road,	24 70
Dawes road,	101 35
Dakin road,	61 68
Marlboro road,	82 97
Buckminister road,	12 80
Hazen road,	20 93
Willard road,	6 40
Dillingham road,	60 15
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	\$808 85

BRIDGES

Dakin road bridge, replanking,	\$42 10
Total,	<hr/> \$850 95

SNOW

Snow,	\$172 80
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TOOLS OWNED BY TOWN

1 road scraper
 5 shovels
 2 bars
 3 forks
 1 snow plow
 2 grub hoes
 2 bush hooks
 4 picks
 3 snow shovels
 1 road drag

TOWN APPROPRIATION

Roads,	\$1,000 00	
Snow,	100 00	
Balance of 1936,	249 63	
	<hr/>	\$1,349 63
Town maintenance,	\$850 95	
Snow,	172 80	
	<hr/>	1,023 75
		<hr/> \$325 88

Respectfully submitted,
 HERBERT J. RUSSELL,
 Road Agent.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Taxes committed to collector,	\$3,576 89	
Added tax,	2 00	
Interest,	1 71	
		<hr/> \$3,580 60
Remittances to treasurer,	\$3,048 72	
Uncollected as per list,	509 86	
Abatement,	20 45	
Remittance to treasurer, interest,	1 71	
		<hr/> \$3,580 74

List	Property Tax	Poll Tax
Lorenzo Davis,	\$93 44	
Clarence Davis,	11 68	\$2 00
Irene Cady,		2 00
Clarence Cady,		2 00
Burt Ellis,	17 23	2 00
Madella Hazen Est.,	138 70	
Emmett Hazen,	5 84	
Marion Ellis,		2 00
Edwin Ellis,		2 00
Roger Garfield,	11 68	2 00
Stella Garfield,		2 00
Leo Paul,	20 44	2 00
Germaine Paul,		2 00
Richard Fish,	17 52	2 00
Irene Ashford,		2 00
Harry Menter,	49 64	2 00

Inez Menter,	2 00
Clifton French,	2 00
Mrs. Clifton French,	2 00
Rupert Abbott,	7 30
F. L. Carey,	2 92
Charles Kingsbury,	3 65
Margaret and Anna Godwin,	29 20
Keene Screen & Ladder Co.,	14 60
H. M. Brown,	2 92
Adelaide Newman,	17 52
Henry Chickering Est.,	11 68
Emile Lambert,	2 92
Carroll Osgood,	14 60
Earl Spaulding,	4 38

I hereby certify that the above list showing the names and amount due from each delinquent tax payer as of Jan. 31, 1938 on account of the tax levy of 1937 is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CYRUS K. ELLIS,
Collector.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand Feb. 1st, 1937,	\$1,991 68
Received from collector for 1937 taxes,	3,048 72
Received from collector for 1936 and 1935,	239 02
Received from collector, interest,	19 42
Received from state, class V maintenance,	571 10
Received from state, interest and dividend tax,	268 63
Received from state, railroad and savings bank tax,	10 49
Received from town clerk, auto permits,	56 84
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Total receipts,	\$6,205 90
Paid orders of selectmen,	4,220 56
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Balance in Cheshire National Bank,	\$1,985 34

EDWARD E. BAKER,
Treasurer.

Due from collector for 1934,	\$73 80
Due from collector for 1935,	2 00
Due from collector for 1936,	8 00
Due from collector for 1937,	509 86

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF ROXBURY

For the Fiscal Year Ending January 31, 1938

Date of Creation	Trust Funds	Purpose of Creation	How Invested	Amount of Principal	Rate of Per Cent Interest	Balance of In- come on hand at beginning of year	Income Dur- ing year	Expended Dur- ing year	Balance of In- come on hand at end of year
1892	Ruel H. Kingsbury Cemetery Fund		Keene Savings Bank, Book No. 836	\$100	3%	\$119.50	\$6.62		\$126.16
June 4, 1909	George G. Davis Cemetery Fund		Cheshire County Savings Bank, Book No. 5585	100	3%	112.47	6.41		118.88
Apr. 14, 1921	Ellen A. Davis Cemetery Fund		Cheshire County Savings Bank, Book No. 13980	100	3%	41.35	4.27		45.62
Aug. 9, 1934	Nye Cemetery Fund		Keene Savings Bank, Book No. 17907	25	3%	1.60	.78		2.38

LENA M. NYE,
BESSIE H. BAKER,
EDWARD E. BAKER,

Trustees of Trust Funds.

REPORT OF AUDITOR

This is to certify that I have examined the accounts and records of the tax collector, road agent, treasurer, and the selectmen and find them correct and properly vouched to the best of my knowledge and belief.

BESSIE H. BAKER,
Auditor.

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

(SCHOOL WARRANT)

To the Inhabitants of the School district of the town of Roxbury.

You are hereby notified to meet at the School House in said district on the 8th day of March, 1938, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see if the district will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the district as determined by the school board in its annual report.

9. To choose a member of the School Board for two years.

10. To vote upon any other subject that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Roxbury this 19th day of February, 1938.

HERBERT J. RUSSELL,
BURT S. ELLIS,
WILLIAM HOOPER,
School Board.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

HERBERT J. RUSSELL,
BURT S. ELLIS,
WILLIAM HOOPER,
School Board.

SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR 1938-1939

School Boards' statement of amount required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1938.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

Elementary Schools

Support of schools:

Teachers' salaries,	\$1,000 00
Text books,	20 00
Scholars' supplies,	15 00
Flags and appurtenances,	2 00
Other expenses of instruction,	5 00
Janitor service,	48 00
Fuel,	36 00
Water, light, janitors' supplies,	8 00
Minor repairs and expenses,	25 00
Health supervision (medical inspection),	10 00
Transportation of pupils,	331 00
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	\$1,500 00

Other statutory requirements:

Salaries of district officers (fixed by district),	\$55 00
Superintendent's excess salary (fixed by supervisory union),	65 00
Per capita tax (reported by state treasurer),	16 00
Tax state supervision,	34 14
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	170 14

Total amount required to meet school boards' budget,	<hr/> \$1,670 14
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ESTIMATED INCOME OF DISTRICT

Balance June 30, 1938 (estimate),	\$100 00
State aid (December, 1938 allotment),	331 41
Elementary school tuition receipts (estimated),	396 00
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Deduct total estimated income (not raised by taxation),	\$827 41
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Assessment required to balance school boards budget,	\$842 73

HERBERT J. RUSSELL,
BURT S. ELLIS,
WILLIAM HOOPER,
School Board.

Roxbury, N. H., March 1, 1938.

REPORT OF DISTRICT AUDIT

The School Books and other financial records of the school district of Roxbury for the year ending June 30th, 1937 were audited and adjusted by auditors from New Hampshire State Tax Commission.

Submitted by
HERBERT J. RUSSELL,
Chairman School Board.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens of Roxbury :

I herein submit my fifteenth annual report as superintendent of schools.

ORGANIZATION FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1936-1937

School	Teacher	Enrollment
Branch	Marion E. Russell	20

PROMOTIONS

The following numbers of promotions were made in respective grades in June.

Grades,	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII
	4	1	3	1	3	1	1	3
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Totals,	4	1	3	1	3	1	1	3

These promotions were made on the following points: regularity of attendance, term rank, standard tests, and regular examination given by the teacher.

Metropolitan Achievement Tests were given; one at mid-year and one in June.

The Otis Standard Graduation examination for elementary schools was given to the eighth grade.

The results obtained in above mentioned tests justified the above promotions in respective grades.

The following pupils completed their eighth grade in June: Norman J. Cota, Dorothy K. Howard and Doris June Mackenzie.

ORGANIZATION FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1937-1938

School	Teacher	Enrollment
Branch,	Marion E. Russell	20

Thus far during this school year, Miss Russell has continued her socialized recitations with good success. Under this method, a normal development in progress of respective grades is maintained. The classes are well organized and graded and a high degree of cooperation of pupils with their teacher is manifested. These conditions give promise for a successful year.

HEALTH SUPERVISION

Year 1936-1937

Examiner, Dr. L. G. Hildreth:

Number of pupils examined,	19
Number having defective vision,	3
Number having defective teeth,	4
Number unvaccinated,	3
Number vaccinated,	16

In conclusion, I wish to thank the members of the school board, teacher, parents and citizens for their cooperation and support.

Respectfully submitted,
 FREDERICK T. JOHNSON,
 Superintendent of Schools.

Marlborough, N. H., Feb. 15, 1938.

STATISTICS FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1936-1937

Total length of school year in weeks,	37
Number of pupils registered,	20
Number of half days school was in session,	348
Number of half days school was closed,	22
Average membership in the school,	18.35
Average attendance,	17.72
Percent of attendance for Roxbury,	95.56
Percent of attendance for the district,	94.26
Number of tardinesses,	0
Number of pupils not absent nor tardy,	2
Number of visits made by school physician,	1
Number of visits made by nurse,	1
Number of visits by board members,	3
Number of visits made by superintendent,	17
Number of visits made by citizens,	85
Number of pupils transported by district,	1

HONOR ROLL

Marion Theresa Cota

Roger Milan Starkey

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